



The Young Kings and Queens or Carnival Music are crowned!

This past Saturday evening one of the most delightful of carnival events took place in the Entertainment Center in Dakota. A large number of the contestants during this Carnival competition may have been diminutive, but their talent and energy were limitless. Tiny Fakir Boekhoudt, aka "Kid Dynamite, Jr." who took home the second place trophy for Roadmarch King with his performance of "A Could Work Up!!" was a treat to behold, as were all the young performers as they sang and gyrated their way in an attempt to claim the coveted titles of Roadmarch King and Queen Hubenil and Infantil. On that evening the titles of Calypso King and Queen for the youth was also awarded to Kelie-Ann Odor, Calypso Queen Infantil 2006 for her performance of "Hold my Hand," and Collins John, Calypso King Hubenil 2006 for "Who's Causing the Culture Gap?"

The official title of Roadmarch Queen Infantil 2006 was taken by mini-diva Charella Lopez, aka "Queen Char," with her song "Trimble" composed and arranged by Valentino King. Nigel Hoek, aka "Kicken" was spooky as he performed "The Flight of Count Dracula," to take home the trophy and crown as Roadmarch King Infantil 2006.

Camouflage gear is very in this year, and Ashrock Gario, aka "Diamond Chip" and his bunch of military dressed dancing soldiers wowed the audience and claimed the first place trophy and title as RoadMarch King Hubenil 2006 for his performance of "A Partner Jam" by composer Antoni Gario. Brigitte Croes, aka "Singing Queen" won for the song "Dancing Queen," composed by Edselyn Figaroa and arranged by Phil Hunt.

Other talented young people to take home trophies and bicycles for their efforts that night were Gabriela v/d Biezen, aka "Queen Baby" the second place Roadmarch Queen Infantil, and Chantal Quand, "Queen Chanty," in third place. They performed the songs "Halaa foi Caminda" and "Rasta Jam," respectively. The third place Roadmarch King Infantil title went to Jair Vesprey, or "Mighty Buddy" for his performance of "Casino" by the BMW Crew. Stuart Smit, or "Mighty Sweetness" last year's Roadmarch King Hubenil, made a mighty effort and took third place for his performance of "Wash, Wash," composed and arranged by noted local performer Frances Jacobs. Backing up the twenty-three competing young artists for the tenth year in a row was the rousing New Climax Band, and with MC's Tanchi Esme and Tio George, they kept the excitement and energy at peak level the entire night.